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| In re Patent Application of                                | )                          |
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| John KENDRUP et al.  | ) Group Art Unit: 1615     |
| Application No.: 09/819,813                                | ) Examiner: Amy E. Pulliam |
| Filed: March 29, 2001                                      | ) Confirmation No.: 1138   |
| For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A CONTROLLED-RELEASE PREPARATION | )<br>)<br>)                |

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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| [X] | A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.  |
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| []  | A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [ ] \$55.00 (2814) [ ] \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed. |

[X] Also enclosed is Attachment to Amendment and Reply

Small entity status is hereby claimed.

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

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| [] | Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$370.00 (2801) [] \$740.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). |
|    | [ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted, on, for which continued examination is   |

Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

[ ] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.

[ ] No additional claim fee is required.

requested.

[X] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

|  |                  | AMENDED  | CLAIM           | S                  |               |
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|  | No. OF<br>CLAIMS | HIGHEST NO.<br>OF CLAIMS<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | EXTRA<br>CLAIMS | RATE               | ADDT'L<br>FEE |
| Total Claims   | 24               | MINUS 22 =   | 2               | × \$18.00 (1202) = | 36.00         |
| Independent Claims   | 3                | MINUS 3 =  | 0               | × \$84.00 (1201) = | 0.00          |
| If Amendment adds m  | ultiple depend   | lent claims, add \$28                              | 30.00 (1203)    |                    |               |
| Total Amendment Fee  |                  |  |                 | 36.00              |               |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee |                  |  |                 | 18.00              |               |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT                            |                  |  |                 | 18.00              |               |

| [X] | A claim fe | ee in the | amount of \$_ | 18.00     | is enclosed. |
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| []  | Charge \$_ |           | to Deposit    | Account 1 | No. 02-4800. |

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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